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The Times wishes its readers a Happy and Prosperous New Year

New Rural Mail Route Established

A change in the mail service took place in the district on Monday last. The west mail route, which is No. 1, comes from the west on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and leaves the city for the west on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Mr. Knowles of Yorkford has the contract for carrying the mail.

Women's Relief Corps Notes

The December business meeting of the Women's Relief Corps was held, Wednesday afternoon of this week. After the usual business had been taken up, the reports of the various committees were received.

Apollo Choir.

A number of our citizens spent Christmas in Edmonton and incidentally took in the concert of the Apollo Choir, the famous Royal Gwent Singers, all of whom are in the school of music every member of the choir having won several medals in competitions in the old land.

Short Course School For Interesting Information Wetaskiwin About Patriotic Fund

Word was received in the city this week that the Department of Agriculture had decided to comply with the wishes of those who had the matter in hand for some time, and would hold a Short Course School of Agriculture in the city some time during the early part of February.

Germans Order Prisoners Killed

London, Dec. 29.—Charges that at least one brigade of the German army has been ordered to put all prisoners to death are made in the following general order issued by General Joffre on Dec. 17 to the French army in the field.

Town Topics.

Miss Nellie James leaves this week for Calgary to attend the Normal school.

Truancy Case

On Wednesday, December 23, Henry Nagel, a farmer living near Ponoka, was brought before Magistrate Turner of that town charged with a violation of the Truancy Act.

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New Year
to all.**

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Crystals Defeat Edmonton At Hockey

The first hockey match of the season on the local ice was played on Christmas night, when a picked team of Edmonton scored sticks with the Wetaskiwin Crystals. Unfortunately the attendance was small, but those who attended witnessed a very fair game for the early season.

A. F. & A. M. Installation

The brethren of Wetaskiwin Lodge No. 15 A.F. & A.M. held an enjoyable meeting on Monday evening last, the occasion being the installation of officers for the ensuing year.

Officers of Educational Club

The following is the list of officers and Committees for the season:
Hon. Pres.—H. J. Montgomery, M.P.P.
Pres.—M. O. Nelson.

Better Print 'Em

We notice that our dealers are offering butter for sale, wrapped in parchment paper, without the wrappers being printed. Evidently they are ignorant of the new requirements of the Dairy Industry act.

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REFORM CONVENTION

Sherman Wager

It is not necessary to go further. We have only to suppose Germany supreme in Europe to see the rest of the world at her mercy. The Monroe doctrine is not even a scrap of paper. It has no claim on us. It is never been acknowledged by Germany. It was not postpone for five minutes to Germany's usurpations in South America unless the United States was to fight the battle, which she is not letting other nations fight for her. The reason given by some who object to think the aloofness needs apology is internal German delusion. When Germany has noisily proclaimed her goal is the "domination of the power, methods and spirit upon the whole world. There is no effort

deny this in the part of any of Germany's defenders, except through their imperial efforts to lay the blame for the war on the nations which attacked or threatened war. The nations which are guilty are punished for their existence according to laws of jealous neighbors who have leagued themselves to attack the nation which the other Sultan has injured. The nations which are injured are helplessly professed by all German nations, from the Kaiser down, just as they profess the Lutheran religion because it is the imperial form of religion by actual and traditional usage. It is just as much the truth of it, of the Augsburg Confession, is the question with them. This confession may be made comfortably to the side by the nations which are not ours, which contradict it, namely that it is Germany's destiny, a duty and intention to impose German culture and German dominion on the nations of the world.

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

The provincial government will give \$7,500 a month to the city of Calgary in each of the months of January, February and March, for the relief of its unemployed.

The same sum will be given to the city of Edmonton, and \$1,500 will be donated to Leatheridge and M.D.C. But over the same period.

Alderman W. G. Hunt, who was chairman of the Calgary delegation which interviewed the premier and the members of the cabinet, received a telegram from Mayor Henry Jones conveying this information. Alderman Hunt told the Albertan that the delegation was received with the utmost courtesy and sympathy. Primrose and the other members of the cabinet showed that they fully realized the seriousness of the situation and would do their best to assist in remedying it and in helping the unemployed.

Calgary and Edmonton as ed \$50,000 each from the government. The \$7,500 a month grant d makes total of \$22,500 for the three month Lethbridge and Medicine Hat as for \$15,000 each. They will receive total of \$4,500 each.

1. DUTY IN WILL

3 HAVE 15 MORE
5 BATTLESHIPS IN 1

BATTLESHIPS IN 1

London, Dec. 24.—Before par-
ment adjourned until February,
speeches of the first importance were
made by Mr. Churchill on the war

of the navy, and by Lloyd George on the finance of the war.

Like Lord Kitchener in his review of the work of the army, both ministers gave an account of their stewardship, which enabled them to survey the past with satisfaction and to face the future with confidence. The strength of the national position may be judged from the core of each speech.

Winston Churchill, in announcing that the navy will receive an accession of 15 battleships by the end of 1915, as compared with a maximum reinforcement of 3 to Germany, could claim that we could afford to lose a super-dreadnaught every month for a year and still retain the superiority of the fleet. The declaration of war

of Lloyd George, in informing the house that the war loan had been over subscribed, was able to make the proud boast that Britain had raised the highest sum of money ever raised in any country without

^e MIS-STATED LIABILITIES:

1970-1971

DONALDA MAN INTO
SERIOUS TROUB

On - charge of fraud, preferred by the Miller-Morse Hardware Co., Winnipeg, Jesse R. Graham, a partner in the firm of Graham Brothers who operated a hardware business at Donalds until a few months ago, is bound over for trial at a high court before Justices of the peace, Smith and Kuhnke at Ferintosh 1 Saturday afternoon.

The accused is charged with hav-

Biliousness is certainly one of the most disagreeable ailments which flesh is heir to. Coated tongue—bitter taste in the mouth—nausea—dizziness—these combine to make life a burden. The cause is a disordered liver—the cure Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills. They go straight to the root of the trouble put the liver right, cleanse the stomach and bowels, clear the tongue and wash away the bitter taste from the mouth. At the first sign of biliousness take

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mis-stated his liabilities on a financial statement furnished to the wholesale hardware firm, thereby securing credit which he would not have had had his true financial condition been stated. Subsequently, the firm, Graham Brothers went into liquidation and the wholesale house was a loser. E. D. H. Wilkins of Wetaskiwin, represented the Miller-Morse while the accused had no legal representative. Bail was fixed at \$1,000 which was satisfactorily secured Monday after the prisoner had spent Sunday in the jail at Camrose-Cadrian.

PATRIOTISM.

The herald loud proclaims outbr
of war
Across the seas. Then swift the n
sage goes
To summon each soldier against
foes
To leave his friends and well belo
shore.
One parts from wife, tri^de of t
week before
In heavy grief, because how well
knows
Their joy is dimmed. Too soon h
come the woes!
Death, sorrow, wounds? What d
the future store?
A might' host. The thundrous

The clash of arms—an awe inspiring sight.

Who led the charge that won
gallant fight,
A pale proud face—that lides a
ken heart—
Remains for her. He played a
riob's part.

—R. W. W. Alexander

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There is no getting around the argument which the Grain Growers' Guide presents in favor of mixed farming, and the wonder is that any body has been found to dispute it. "On farms," it declares, "where there is practically no work to do in the winter months there is a large waste of valuable time. In these days of keen competition in every line of business the best results are obtained by an arrangement of a farm business which provides labor on the farm during every month of the year. The profits on grain farming alone in ordinary years will not compensate for the loss during the winter months. This is one of the problems to be solved in placing farms upon a profitable basis.

Wetaskiwin

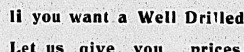
FROM BRITAIN

London, Dec. 24.—Sir Hiram Max has sent five tons of pork and tins as a Christmas gift to the Canadians at Salisbury.

The unemployed in the county of Huron, Ontario, were set at work by the authorities at market gardening. The crop of onions from three acres has just been sold for \$2574.00, showing a net profit of \$2141.60. Does not the thought of all those onions lying in the street, and the thought of all those unemployed men, bring tears to your eyes?

Mr. Wallace H. Grange, Vancouver, B.C. writes: "During a cold spell he about the middle of last October (1914) I caught a cold which got worse despite all treatments I could obtain, until on November 2nd, a friend said, 'Why don't you try Dr. Wood's 'Pine Syrup'?' Really, I had no faith in it at the time as I had tried nearly every other remedy I had heard of, to no avail. I then decided to try it, and I did so, remedy a trial. I purchased a 50 cc. bottle, and in three days I was feeling better. The coughing, which had been incessant and the coughing so prolonged, the vomiting occurred after a hard spell of coughing, and the chest was sore and pocket, and every time I was seized with a coughing spell I would take a small dose of the 'Pine Syrup'. In three days I was well. I was very much surprised at Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup to answer with a severe cold, as its powers are more potent than I had intended being without it at all times."

When you ask for "Dr. Wood's" so that you can get the real thing, you must put up in a yellow wrapper; the others trade the mark; the price, 25c and 50c per bottle. Write to Dr. J. C. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.



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**Big Sale of Men's Furnishings, Clothing, Boots and Shoes starts
Saturday, January 2nd, 1915**

SALE SALE SALE

Our \$12,000.00 Stock without reserve under the hammer. While we have enjoyed a good Christmas trade (and we take the opportunity of thanking our customers for their patronage in the past and also solicit same for the coming year) we were overstocked and have consequently a large stock left on hand of Good New Fall and Winter Goods which we are offering at

SLAUGHTER PRICES

\$5,000 IN CASH must be raised. The wholesalers are clamoring for their money and we have to satisfy them or stand the consequences. Thus the sacrifice. If you need a new outfit of Clothes, Boots and Shoes, Furnishings, Etc., now is the time to save yourself some money. For want of room we are not able to quote our bargain list in full. Call in and we will show you the rest:

Boots and Shoes



We offer our entire stock of Invictus, Walkover, Hartt, etc., Shoes at Sale prices.

Negligee Shirts

Regular	\$1.25	Sale	Price	\$.90
"	1.50	"	"	1.15
"	1.75	"	"	1.30
"	2.00	"	"	1.55
"	2.25	"	"	1.75

Caps

We still have a good supply of Winter Caps which must be gotten rid off. 25% discount.

We have a few Mackinaw Coats on hand. Black and colored.

Regular	\$5.00	Sale	Price	\$3.15
"	6.50	"	"	4.75
"	9.00	"	"	6.85
"	10.00	"	"	7.65

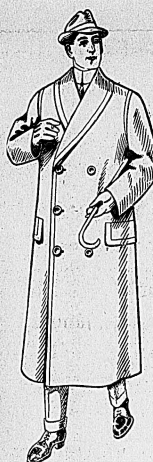
Mufflers, Wool and Silk; Ties, Socks, etc., all have to go

Mittens and Gloves, wool lined and pull-overs at cost

MEN'S SUITS

Although we have had a good sale of Suits and Overcoats, but like the rest of our departments, we are overstocked and we are quoting below a few of the many bargains:

Reg.	\$28.00	Sale	Price	\$21.35
"	25.00	"	"	18.65
"	20.00	"	"	15.65
"	18.00	"	"	14.35
"	16.50	"	"	12.95
"	12.00	"	"	9.65



We have 75 Fleece Lined Undershirts clearing at 35c while they last.

Our whole Stock of Underwear on the table, combination and two pieced Tiger Brand, Hewsons, Tru Knit, Dr. Jaeger, etc.



Regular	\$2.75	combination and two pieced pure wool,	
		Tiger Brand, Sale Price	\$2.15
Regular	\$4.00	combination and two pieced pure wool,	
		Tiger Brand, Sale Price	3.20
Regular	\$4.50	Turnbull's Ceetee and Hewson's pure wool	3.85
"	5.00	Tru Knit silk and wool	3.95
"	5.50	Tru Knit and Jaeger pure wool	4.35

Flannel Shirts

We have a large stock of these Shirts in Blue, Red, Grey, Green, etc.

Regular	\$1.25	Sale	Price	\$.90
"	1.50	"	"	1.20
"	1.75	"	"	1.40
"	2.00	"	"	1.65

Felt Shoes

We have too many and must go regardless of cost.

Reg.	\$2.25	(with leather soles)	
	Sale Price	...	\$1.85
Reg.	\$2.25	all felt, Sale Price	1.65
Reg.	\$2.75	felt with leather toe,	
	Sale Price	...	1.75
Reg.	\$3.25	felt with leather toe,	
	Sale Price	...	2.15

Sweaters

We had one of the best stock to be had in these. Vancouver's, Jaeger's, Warren Knitting Co., Etc. Jaeger and Vancouver rope stitched, best of wool, sell any place at \$10 or \$12 going at ... \$7.80

Regular	\$8.00	Sale	Price	6.20
"	6.00	"	"	4.95
"	5.00	"	"	3.95
"	4.00	"	"	3.15
"	3.50	"	"	2.75

With every \$1.00 purchase you will receive a number and at the end of January the person holding the lucky number can have the choice of any \$20.00 Suit in the store Free

Do not forget the date Saturday Jan. 2nd

Wors West of Corner McDonald and Pearce Streets
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Turkeys, Ducks, Geese

Prices of poultry have been ranging in Calgary, retail at 18 cents per lb. and it looks as though the price will be down to 15 cents per lb. retail by Christmas. We have secured an outside market for a lot of dressed poultry, and if you wish to obtain the benefit of our prices, ship to us. To secure these prices all dressed poultry must arrive here between December 1 and December 10. On this last date we make our last shipment and cannot guarantee prices to hold after that.

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Ship your dressed poultry by freight or express. Freight is the cheaper way. We will accept live turkeys or geese any day.

OUR COMPANY

We are not a large company with lots of capital and some people may have their doubts whether it is safe to ship to us. However, we may state that we are guaranteed to the extent of several thousands of dollars, and we also have the recommendation of Mr. Carwell, a leading officer of the largest farmers' co-operative company in the province. We refer you to him at his office, Louched Building, Calgary.

OUR PRICES

We will pay the following prices delivered at Calgary for poultry received by us not later than December 10:

- No. 1 Turkeys, dressed 14¢ per pound.
- No. 1 Turkeys, alive, 15¢ per pound.
- No. 1 Geese, alive, 13¢ per pound.
- No. 1 Geese, dressed, 14¢ per pound.
- No. 1 Ducks, dressed, 12¢ per pound.

All dressed poultry grading extra, 1 cent per lb. more.

We will also accept shipments of dressed chicken and fowl. All poultry should be dry plucked and bled. We cannot accept live shipments of fowl or chickens until further notice.

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WHAT IS THE MATTER

WITH FARMING?

There are an uncounted large number of people today trying to crack the nut: "What is the matter with Canadian farming?" During the past two weeks we have had one set of men at Ottawa trying to air up the Dominion government to appoint a commission to look into the question. At the same time another set of men, equally grave, equally serious and actually worse, were at Regina, endeavouring their brains to devise ways and means by which to put idle men on idly lands and still be sure that the men could make a decent living, and the venture a safe one. On the one hand we have one farm paper preaching the doctrine that everything is in the other hand, another farm paper says we have too many cattle, hogs, and farming is not so bad after all.

It is quite probable by a good thing that the matter is being agitated. Probably it would also be a good thing to have a commission looking into the whole question, just so that we might be helped to see a little more clearly why we are where we are. But that such a commission could do a very great deal more than tell us why conditions are as at present, we have only limited confidence.

There are a lot of facts bearing on this question that any sensible man can now see for himself, and while the commission idea is being considered at Ottawa, it may do no harm to face them.

Just so as to show our hand right at the start, let us begin with the general statement that for the average farmer who has attended strictly to business, who has been wary and conservative in his investments, who has a decent working capital, and who has enjoyed reasonably good fortune, the past three or four years have been satisfactory ones. It is a quite true that our 1914 crop has been a short one, but, despite a general local distress in some districts, the farmers of Western Canada, on the whole, will reap fairly good financial returns from this year's harvest. As we have said in a few previous columns, the Canadian farmer who kicks about the increased "cost of living," has the bulk of the wrong horn. Government investigations have proved conclusively that during recent years the products of the farm have advanced more in price proportionately than have other classes of goods as a whole, and that there is no good service to be rendered nor any real friendship to the farmer to be expressed by denying facts.

But still, even when some of the best of our farmers are prospering there are other—whole communities are "squeezing blood" out of their own fault—other and while the commission idea is simmering, a few facts that are worthy of serious thought may be put forward for consideration, about as follows:

1. Over Investment.—Too many people—other men as well as farmers—in western Canada have put capital enough for their underlaid. This is only the inverted way of stating that their undertakings are too large for their capital. They have too heavy an overhead expenditure in proportion to the working force of the farm, the acreage they are cultivating, and the yields obtained. This is not peculiar to farmers; it characterizes all classes of people in the Canadian west today. Put into plain, straightforward English, it is the result of the boom that occurred in the country three or four years ago, and the places that experienced the biggest boom now experience the biggest difficulties in trying to keep up with obligations that were incurred. It needs no commission to discover that fact; neither is it so alarming, as finding fault, to point it out. It is a simple statement of a big and very important truth.

2. Paucity cultivation.—We are suffering today because the Dominion government, in the first place, and individual farmers in the second place, have made big mistakes as to the adaptability of some parts of this country. The area below on the Great Lakes and the Red Sea was tremendously in character, and we may as well face the fact that we have not our efforts to some localities. In plain terms, parts of the country opened up for homesteading and not yet were adapted to straight commercial agriculture. We have spent a good deal of money in industry, in many cases to establish a lot of starved homestead areas. A group of the common lines are such that on land where the rainfall is less than 15 inches per year is too precarious no occupation for the average money-farmer of the homestead type, and in many cases, even at nothing, an acre for his land, he has not been able to produce enough crop to pay the taxes of the land. The story of this fully remembering that 1914 was an unusual season. The calamity has been over-taken, settlers in the semi-arid belt have not given out of one year's crop failure, to some extent it has dogged them right along, and the experience of this year may reasonably be expected to repeat itself in years to come. It is little use to say that some farmers have raised good crops in the dry belt, and that they have made money out of them. There is, without doubt, a real reason in soil cultivation on so to retain the moisture.



but the ultra "dry farming" methods so frequently talked of are too expensive for the average homesteader to use in producing a crop that yields so little in money value per acre as does the wheat crop. This problem is not peculiar to Canada, Oklahoma, Colorado, and some of the other states to the south of us have gone through the same experience, and when the locomotive is through, it still remains true that intrastate and the semi-arid areas, one year with another, are relatively unprofitable, and perhaps even worthless as grain lands. The Dominion government could do no better act than study its meteorological reports and suspend homesteading in grain districts in districts of semi-arid character. It should also give all possible help to those who are already in these belts, so as to enable them to get out of them as small graziers. Also, it should study what forage crops might be grown in the belt in districts where there is no fall in light. The country referred to is no without value if properly handled. The task at hand is to enable those who are now in the belt to a fair measure of success, and this will be prevented if settlement is made too dense or proceeds as a wrong assumption. The dry belt farms requires a wide area of land and financial resources to succeed.

3. Credit.—Interest charges are too high for farmers who have to work on borrowed capital and too many farmers are borrowers. This is one of the biggest problems—probably the biggest single problem—before western farmers today. As a country we have over-borrowed and our security is as good as it should be consequently. The government should give all possible encouragement and assistance to co-operative borrowing or some such plan as outlined by the Saskatchewan commission last year, which by all means is the best plan we have so far seen. Two other things should be kept in mind: one, long term loans at a low rate of interest; second, to keep the solvency of all borrowers under the scheme up to a high standard by insisting on a strict condition of the amount of money to be lent under any such scheme. Big borrowers are the first to suffer when the rate of interest rises, and high rates of interest are a direct result of the high rate of interest against all borrowers, good and bad alike.

4. Transportation.—Our transportation charges are too high. This is partially caused by a other evil—that of too great dissipation in settlement, which, due to some extent brought about by our land law system. The scattering of our settlers over so much country makes for long hauls and high rates. But, as part from this, our railways should be put on a correct financial valuation basis and dividends paid on this basis only.

5. Tariffs.—We need the minimum amount of protection commensurate with reasonable home production to Canadian manufacturers. There is a happy medium between the entire absence of our markets to all foreign nations on the one hand and high protection on the other. On all such goods as farm machinery, fuels, lumber, cement, clothing and other essentials we must work for a downward revision as opportunity offers.

6. Better Farming.—Our farming methods are very far from perfect, due to several causes—lack of capital to work the land properly, inexperienced of newcomers, and preference on the part of many for a crop system only. Notwithstanding the partial evolution of our methods in some of the older districts, there is a great place yet for agricultural instruction and demonstration. What is wanted in many districts are a few leaders—farmers who, by better crop rotations, use of manure on the land, deeper cultivation and employment of more carefully tried types of crops, will really show where individual farming effort may be improved.

War News Affected Her.

Many people who have been reading the terrible war news from day to day, especially those who have relatives at the seat of war, have become nervous that it is impossible for them to sleep.

The nerves have become unstrung and the heart perhaps affected. Miss Hilma, Decarie, Marquette, Ont., writes: "In August, 1914, I was out of control for my health. I visited friends in London, and heard of the war. It made me so nervous that I could not sleep, but after using Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills I improved greatly, and could take my school again. I have recommended them to many of my friends."

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proved. There are such farmers in very many places, and their influence is a mighty one for good. Some other districts are divided into too very much needed leadership, and as one travels over the country the fact is easily observed in these places.

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Perhaps, as we have suggested, while the commission is simmering, we can profit somewhat by thinking these things over, and seeing how they apply to our own case.—Bx change.

A number of citizens were seated in a certain local office discussing the war, when a friend rushed in, and in a gasping voice said: "What do you think the Poles are doing in Russia now?" "Don't know," let her hear," was the chorus of loud voices. The answer came, "Holding up the telephone wires." A ruck was made, but the talker sat safely away.

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Newsy Letter From Salisbury Plains

Wetaskiwin Boy Vividly Describes Experiences While Going Across With Contingent. Gets Into Trouble With The Officers. Enthusiastic Welcome in The Old Country.

The following excerpts taken from a diary of one of the Wetaskiwin boys now at Salisbury Plains will be read with the keenest interest.

"I left camp last Saturday with our advance party. We rode into Quebec, and all the three hours each all the way. We passed through some real pretty scenery—just like the old country. The road was lined with picturesque villages, barely a mile apart. It was no uncommon sight to see on one side of the road a beautiful residence with perfect lawns, the lawn, etc., and on the other side, an apple tree laden with fruit, and underneath a couple of pigs leisurely munching away at some of the apples that the wind had shaken off. At every village we were met by deputations of fair maidens, who treated us to all kinds of good cheer—in fact, we were literally deluged with food, flowers, fruit and flirtations—I indulged but sparingly of the latter.

Anyway, I rained all the way, and we were thoroughly wet before we got in. They put us and our horses in the Quebec Hotel's grounds over Sunday. At 2:30 a.m. Sunday the bugle went for reveille and we got the "Hill out Strathcona!" immediately. Then we saddled our horses and rode to the depot where we waited in the wet and cold from 7 a.m. until 1:30 without food or bodily comfort of any kind. Once we loaded our horses we proceeded to have a regular good time. The cattle went west away Tuesday and I just had the good fortune to miss being closer to go on her and accompany the horses. There are forty men to six hundred horses. There are thirty-two things taking us over. Our escorts are lying at Halifax. They say there are nine things in it. I don't know how they are divided.

Our daily routine is rather strict and practically the same as camp. Every afternoon we have sports. I was second in "B" sadder at the half-mile race and got fourth place in the high jump at the sports. We have a big current of water. I have not performed, but I'll "hide my light under a bushel" for a time, anyway.

Our Colonel in the strictest old war dog, I've ever seen—a soldier to the core, and mind you, he gave orders to arrest any man who is heard swearing.

The ships are going across the ocean's single line, one mile apart. Our boat the "Bermuda" is going to lead the lot, so will likely be the first to get into trouble if the German ships are going across.

Oh, the soldiering life. We were ordered to shave every day. I asked the sergeant what if you don't want to shave and nearly got put in the guard house for insubordination. They won't let you shave your upper lip, either.

I've been most miserably sick, until yesterday when I managed to overcome it. I could write for weeks on the horrors of sickness, but probably I would be told that you, Well, I had a meal on Saturday night and had a small amount of other boys in the cabin brought a roast chicken from the steward for me. Can you picture the chicken disappearing after my three-day's fast? I turned up for parade on Tuesday and was detailed for cook's assistant. I was detailed for cook's assistant, and was detailed for cook's assistant. I was detailed for cook's assistant.

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BURNS' BLOCK, WETASKIWIN

It seems that the principal lure of this is first to see my Mother, second to do something really worth while, and last the pleasure of meeting again all my good friends in Wetaskiwin. I shall first long for Ireland, then for Germany, and then please God, for western Canada. They have all got to come in their turn. I'm sure of two. Those warships across the way look very business-like. We received orders today to sail with "lights out." Every port-hole in the ship has a double thickness curtain on it. The authorities are taking every precaution, you see.

How neat these fishing boats look with their white sails and painted gunwales. They almost make me wish I was out of kinkal again and free to do as I please. It's nice to see other merchants taking us over. They go by, by dipping their flags. My old desire for climbing overcame me this forenoon and I shined up the rigging as far as I could, and went from three to the peak on a Jacob's ladder. The painters are using. I was sent to the ordinary room where I saw an old, very severe looking man, the Colonel, who threatened me with 5 days "C.D." for a second offence. All our boats are painted scarlet color, that is a darkish grey.

One chap in our cabin talks and does some awful antics in his sleep. Last night he fell out of a top bunk and wasn't a bit hurt. Without waking, he proceeded to turn a general confusion in our cabin. A good cold salt water bath fixed him. It's a strange thing, but soldiers seem to be the happiest men on earth. Anyone observing the general spirit on board would think that we were out for a big holiday, and yet the Colonel told us yesterday that we were sure to go to the front.

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got into our running tog—be with rice white trousers and tennis shoes. I had my dirty kitchen stained overalls and bare feet. All the other officers were betting that I would win, and I didn't like to betray their confidence. One mile was the distance. Bang! went the pistol and we were off. Well, the first ten times around the track were bright—but the last two—may I never run again as I did in those last rounds. I won by about three yards and a lap, and so did my opponent. That evening I sampled several of the delicacies that are found in an officer's mess. All after a three days' starve too.

We got wireless messages every day of the news in Europe. I could give them to you day by day, but the news will be stale by the time this letter reaches you.

We are only one thousand miles from land tonight. Only a matter of four or five days until we sight Ireland. I'm getting restless to see Mother, that I can hardly settle my mind down to anything. This morning we were having a lecture on the rifle, and the sergeant evidently saw me dreaming and asked me suddenly what the weight of the rifle was. I said thirty and a half pounds. Luckily, it sounded funny and I didn't get punished for inattention. I happened to be thinking of what would say to Mother when I saw her.

I'm again on guard and don't have to report again until ten o'clock. It is eight now. Last night three of us decided to explore the engines of the ship. On this way down we had to go through the Glory Hole, or crew's sleeping quarters. They wouldn't let us through so we made a rush and got through alright. Then Donald led the way right down to the bottom of the ship. The ship is a real hole. There were twenty-seven immense boilers and the stokers were all Spaniards. My smattering of the language came in useful and we made a turn at stoking. It's just terrible working down there in the bottom of the ship in all the heat, and one chap told me they paid only \$35 a month and work twelve hours a day. Getting out of the hole was quite a proposition. After climbing several flights of iron ladders we found that the glory-hole door was locked, and all the crew were either asleep or out. After many vain attempts to pick the lock, we started to look for a way back. In our rampancy we came across what I took to be a refrigerator. Being nothing would satisfy Charles, but he started the thing. Then we got it open, and couldn't stop it. After about twenty minutes the door of the engine room came and stopped us, and we had to go back. We were in certain terms, and then asked us a way up deck. It was half-past eleven when we got to the top.

We had church paraded this morning. The minister is a splendid preacher and a regular all-round round scout. I've had two long lessons from him already. After the sermon he urged the boys to square things with the old folks, and told us what a miserable thing it was to be a miser. He said that if we were miserly we would be unprepared to one's needs. It's a terrible thing that makes me like him so well. After church paraded we signed the payroll and will be paid tomorrow, D.V. All the chaplains who have never been vaccinated went through that pleasant ordeal. I was one of the "lucky ones." Since joining the army I've been vaccinated three times and vaccinated once. I've been vaccinated a little squeaky all day, and my arm is paining a little now.

"Glad!" is a queer thing. They detail two men to every hatch, and we have to be ready to stand by and launch the whole lot. I see that every troop gets into its proper boat. The worst of it all is that we have to sleep in all our clothes, except belts, etc. We get twenty-four hours duty at times. Our horses are not doing well at all. They report having lost twenty-five to forty, and will probably be short about ten more, before the voyage is over. I'm afraid we won't be back in Wetaskiwin for the next season. Maybe they'll have a few risks in Berna though.

AT PLYMOUTH HARBOR

Well, we're here at last, and I for one am thankful. We struck a storm on Monday night, it continued all Tuesday, and this morning we sighted land, and moved into the harbor at four p.m. My, what a reception we got. All the people of the town came out to welcome us, and the masts and rigging of all the shipping ships were lined with midshipmen who gave us a right royal cheer.

It's a very nice place. All around this harbor are nice green trees and fields—they look so much like Ireland. I can hardly realize that I am only a couple hundred miles from home. Everything is done under seal of orders. They don't tell us anything of what we're to do with us, until we're ready to do it.

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Rev. Wright was called to the Wetaskiwin last week. He was a serious illness, his mother.

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GAZETTE APPOINTMENTS.

The current issue of the Alberta Gazette contains the following appointments:

Justice of the Peace—Chas. A. Johnson, New Norway.
Commissioners for taking Affidavits—B. G. Pepper, Dayland; Chas. D. Emma, Wetaskiwin; Jas. N. Frank, New Norway.
Official Auditors for 1915—M. W. Brooks, Bitter Lake; A. C. Dunne, Battle Lake; F. R. Baird, Ferry Point; Wm. J. Brady, Fairview; A. W. Fleming, Heather Brae; F. Adam, Camrose; P. P. Layton, Camrose; R. D. Fleming, Camrose; T. K. Rogers, Millet; A. G. Taylor, Millet; Chas. D. Emma, Wetaskiwin; J. H. Walker, Wetaskiwin.
Stock Inspector—Dr. Johnson, Wetaskiwin.
Slater, a daughter.
Brand Reader—S. Wetra, Asker.
Resignation and Retirement—P. A. Muelton, Wetaskiwin, stock inspector.

The 55 Ranch Company, Limited, was incorporated on November 27. The head office is at Bitter Lake, and the capital of the company is \$10,000.

BORN
SLATER—In Wetaskiwin on the 23rd inst., to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Slater, a daughter.
ELBLISS—In Wetaskiwin on the 14th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Elbliss, of Strathmore, a son.
CORBAND—In Wetaskiwin on the 26th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Normand, a daughter.
ROBERTS—At 3:30 p.m. on the 27th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. R. Roberts, of Corbair, a daughter.

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DATED at Wetaskiwin this 21st day of December, A.D. 1914.

THE TRUSTEES & GUARANTEE COMPANY, LIMITED,
H. A. HOWARD, Manager,
J. O. RUSSELL,
Solicitors for the said Company
"W.A.D.L." 40-3th

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF WETASKIWIN

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Elijah Heathcote, late of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Mine Inspector, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS
NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having claims on the estate of the above-named Elijah Heathcote, deceased, who died on the 15th day of August, 1914, at the said city of Wetaskiwin, are required to file with the undersigned solicitor for the executors of the will of the said deceased by the 26th day of January, 1915, a full statement, duly verified of their claim, and of any securities held by them, and that after that date the executors will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed, or which have been brought to their knowledge.

DATED this 7th day of December, A.D. 1914.

TWEDDIE & McGUIVERAY
10th Eighth Avenue West,
Calgary, Alberta.
Solicitors for Executors.

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"ODELL & RUSSELL,"
Solicitors for the Administrator,
Approved Wetaskiwin, Alberta.
"W.A.D.L." 38-3th.

NOTICE
TO JOHN BRINSON REID,
WETASKIWIN, ALBERTA.

TAKE NOTICE
THAT DAVID GILMOUR has commenced action against you in the District Court of the District of Wetaskiwin claiming the sum of Four Hundred and Sixty-Two and 50/100 (\$462.50) Dollars together the balance due by you to him under a certain Mortgage dated and bearing the date of April, A.D. 1912, and 20th day of April, A.D. 1913, and covering the North West Quarter of Section Twenty-Three (23) in Township Forty-One (41) and Range Twenty-Six (26) West of the Fourth Meridian in the Province of Alberta, and costs, and that if you do not dispute the said claim you are required to file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court in the District of Wetaskiwin at Wetaskiwin, Alberta, a Statement of Defence on or before the 26th day of January, A.D. 1915; otherwise the said David Gilmour shall be entitled to obtain a judgment against you therefor or such other relief as to the said Honorable Court may seem meet in the premises.

DATED at Wetaskiwin, in the Province of Alberta, this 7th day of December, A.D. 1914.

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